Meeting Request:

When: March 6, 7 or 8 at a time convenient for Deputy Administrator Bob Perciasepe, Senior Advisor to the Administrator Bob Sussman, Assistant Administrator Michelle DePass and Acting Assistant Administrator Nancy Stoner

Who:

Bobby Andrew, Chair, Ekwok Tribal Council
Jason Metrokin, Chief Executive Officer, Bristol Bay Native Corporation (BBNC)
Tiel Smith, Land and Resource Manager, BBNC
Shoren Brown, Director, Bristol Bay Campaign, Trout Unlimited (TU)
Peter Van Tuyn, Bessenyey & Van Tuyn
Wayne Nastri, Senior Vice-President, mCapitol Management

Why: Many groups including, but not limited to, Alaska tribes, BBNC and TU have been working diligently the last few years to protect the Bristol Bay Fishery (Fishery), source of 40% of the US sockeye salmon along with an estimated annual economic contribution of over \$400 million and over 10,000 jobs. Alaskan tribes, BBNC, TU, and others have both petitioned EPA to proactively utilize its CWA §404(c) authority to protect the Fishery. BBNC and TU have also commissioned technical experts to provide scientific data and expert opinions to EPA in preparation of the Bristol Bay Watershed Assessment. EPA's watershed assessment is nearing completion and timing for any subsequent actions will be critical.

This group respectfully requests to meet with EPA Senior leadership for 30-60 minutes to discuss their overall plans for 2012 as it relates to Bristol Bay and US Government action.

Proposed Agenda:

Introductions

Overview of 2010-2012 actions

Congressional Outreach

Executive Branch Outreach

Stakeholder Mobilization (sportsmen, faith and natives)

In Region (Alaska, Pacific Northwest) actions

Technical Support

Timing Issues associated with completion of the Watershed Assessment Next Steps

General Discussion and Conclusion

Where: EPA HQ

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